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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Jong Seok KIM et al.

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For: TILTED DRUM TYPE WASHING MACHINE

Examiner: R. R. Patel

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW IN
ACCORDANCE WITH MPEP §713.04

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants submit herewith a statement on the substance of the telephonic interview held on May 2, 2007, the period for submitting the statement extending through June 11, 2007.

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended to Applicants' representative during the interview referenced above. An Examiner Interview Summary was made of record as Paper No. 20070501. During the interview Applicants' representative discussed the meaning of the phrase "a lip extending inwardly in a radial direction from an interior side of the gasket to prevent particles from being put in a space between the tub and the drum" and argued that the ribs 69a, 69b, and 69c do not read on the claimed lip. The Examiner indicated that if Applicants amended this phrase to recite "a lip extending radially inward from an interior side of the gasket to prevent particles from being put in a space between the tub and the drum" that the claim would clearly define over Kronbetter.

Applicants are currently considering the language suggested by the Examiner and will file a response to the Office Action, dated March 3, 2007, in due course.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Dated: June 11, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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